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Re: North Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-027

Dear Dr. Gray:

We have reviewed North Carolina's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-027, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on October 8, 2010. This amendment provides a resource disregard and protection against Estate Recovery to an applicant for long term care Medicaid, who has received benefits under a qualified long term care partnership policy.

Based on the information provided, we would like to inform you that North Carolina SPA 10-027 was approved on January 6, 2011. The effective date is January 1, 2011. The signed CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tandra Hodges at (404) 562-7409 or Elaine Elmore at (404) 562-7408.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures